

Earning Continuing Education Unit (CEU) Credit for ELlevation Strategies Modules

Educators working in districts that utilize ELlevation’s “Strategies” can complete modules that can qualify for Continuing Education Units (CEUs) to be used toward teacher re-certification requirements. Each CEU requires 15 contact hours, and each ELlevation module counts as 3.5 contact hours (1.5 hours of “seat time” plus 2 hours of “application time”). A minimum of 5 modules must be completed to qualify for a single CEU, though educators can combine more modules to more efficiently earn CEUs at a given time (for example, 5 modules = 1 CEU, but only 9 modules are required for 2 CEUs, if submitted all at once).

A given module may only be completed for credit towards CEUs **once**, even if the same module appears in multiple “pathways” in ELlevation (a collection of thematically-grouped modules). Professional learning from other platforms cannot be combined with ELlevation modules to reach the minimum 15 hours required to earn one CEU. All modules must be completed within the relevant re-certification period to qualify for CEU credit.

In order for educators to receive credit for ELlevation modules, the following must occur:

- Educators must complete the “Learn” portion of each module, including all “React”, “Connect”, “Respond”, and any other prompts.
- Educators must complete the “Teach” portion of the module where they implement concepts from the module into their instruction, and respond to all “Apply”, and any other, prompts.
- Educators must complete the “Reflect” portion of the module, including all “Reflect”, and any other, prompts.
- The EL Coordinator at the district must review each completed module to verify that the educator has engaged meaningfully with the module, spent the appropriate amount of time engaging with the module, provided substantive responses to prompts, and to collect certificates of completion for each module completed.
 - DEED recommends that EL Coordinators request that educators submit a “packet” with the following documentation to help facilitate verification of meaningful engagement: Certificates of Completion; PDF copies of any written responses; lesson plans that include strategies implemented (or other evidence of implementation).
- The district EL Coordinator must submit the certificates of completion, along with a verification form (see next page) to DEED’s EL Program Manager (currently Eli Barsy, eli.barsy@alaska.gov).
 - A separate verification form must be completed for each educator seeking CEUs, but a single form can be used for a single educator seeking multiple CEUs at once. If an educator seeks CEUs at different points in time, a new verification form must be completed for each instance.
- DEED will review the request and, if appropriate, issue a CEU certificate based on the number of completed modules, which the educator can apply toward re-certification.



ELlevation Module Verification Form

To be completed by the district EL Coordinator.

I, _____, attest that

_____ engaged meaningfully with the following
ELlevation Strategies modules:

for a total of _____ hours.

I am requesting that DEED award CEU credit for the completion of said modules.

EL Coordinator Name: _____

School District: _____

EL Coordinator Signature: _____

Date: _____

Upon receipt of this form and certificates of completion, DEED will review the materials and issue a CEU certificate as appropriate. The CEU certificate will be emailed to the district EL Coordinator. The CEU certificate will need to be included with the educator's re-certification materials. A \$50 fee will need to be paid to Teacher Certification for each CEU applied toward re-certification.

